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Celanese Mill Progress According To Schedule

Construction To Start Early In Spring, Company Head Says

Large Deliveries of Steel and Concrete for Material Stockpile Starting This Month

Work in connection with the construction and operation of the high alpha cellulose pulp mill near Prince Rupert is progressing steadily, according to a statement issued today by Harold Blancke, President of Celanese Corporation of America and its subsidiary, Columbia Cellulose Company Ltd.

"Clearing of the mill site," Mr. Blancke said in New York "has been completed and it is now ready for construction of the buildings. A camp to house construction workers is being erected and is to be followed by warehouse facilities which will be used during construction for materials arriving on the site.

"The stock piling of aggregate has been under way for several weeks in order to provide an ample supply of material for pouring concrete. Large quantities of steel are to be moved by rail from the East and cement by freighter from Vancouver commencing at once.

"Arrangements for procuring construction materials have been completed, and the delivery schedules provide an adequate supply of materials for rapid erection of the buildings as soon as construction starts," says Mr. Blancke's statement. "Everything will be in readiness to proceed with the construction of the mill buildings early in the spring.

"The start of the construction of the mill will serve to keep the erection of buildings in step with the equipment deliveries.

"Contracts have been let and purchase orders issued for practically all of the major pulp mill equipment items. There has been no delay of the construction schedule. The preponderant amount of the construction and equipment orders have been placed with Canadian vendors, very little being purchased in the United States.

"Surveys of the timber limits are well along and have reached the point where logging plans have been formulated and some orders for equipment placed. It is expected that a quantity of logs will be in the inventory by the end of 1949, and that a major logging program will get under way early in 1950. Arrangements have been made for log storage and the leases for booming grounds are about ready to be issued."

George Martin of the local construction engineering staff, after spending the past two weeks in Vancouver, is leaving there by air tomorrow for New York to consult with Celanese Corporation heads in regard to the local project. During the coming month important engineering officials of the Corporation are expected in Prince Rupert.

GUARD CHURCH

LONDON, (P)—Rather than close his church all day because of thieves, Rev. Reakes, vicar of All Saints, near Battersea Park, appealed for people to keep watch in the church for a few hours at a time.

900,000 from Tel Aviv British bank.

MAY

- 1—Christos Ladas, Greek justice minister, assassinated at Athens.
- 3—Chakravarti Rajagopalachari appointed Governor-General of India.
- 5—Premier Paul-Henri Spaak of Belgium resigns.
- 14—Britain ends Palestine mandate; Jewish provisional government at Tel Aviv announces formation of state of Israel.
- 16—Chaim Weizman, Zionist Continued on Page 6

CANADA-U.S. IN DEFENCE

Plan of Co-operation in Event of Attack Agreed Upon

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian Press has learned that Canada and United States have completed plans for joint defence in the event of attack. Both would send forces overseas if necessary. United States troops would be sent to Canada.

One problem still outstanding is that of standardization of arms upon which, however, some progress has been made.

CORVETTE IS CONVERTED

To Speed J. R. Morgan As E-Boat for Navy

Another former Canadian Navy vessel of the war, the Flower class corvette Sudbury, will go into commercial service on this coast this year. The 105-foot ship is now at the West Coast Shipyards in Vancouver being reconverted as a towboat and freighter to replace the old J. R. Morgan, one-time in the service of Canadian National Steamships, in running between the mainland and Queen Charlotte Islands as a service ship to the Pacific Mills. The J.R. Morgan was recently retired after having operated for nearly forty years on this coast.

IS BURNED TO DEATH

Tragically Victim is Granddaughter of Sheriff and Mrs. M. M. Stephens

The six-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Stephens, living in Healdsburg, about 60 miles north of San Francisco, has died from the effects of burns sustained a few days ago. Up to yesterday no particulars had been received.

In a long distance call from San Francisco to the child's grandparents, Sheriff and Mrs. M. M. Stephens, 432 Fifth Avenue West, word was first received telling of the tragedy.

The victim of the burns, Betty, is survived by a brother, and parents, Mr. Stephens, whose boyhood was spent in Prince Rupert, and who for while was employed at the dry dock, has been living in California for a considerable time. A year or so ago, Sheriff and Mrs. Stephens, travelling by air, made a trip to California, this being the last time they saw the little girl, news of whose tragic death has just come to them.

The long distance call came from Miss Laura Stephens and was without details, but it is thought the child's dress might have caught fire from an open fireplace.

HARRY ADASKIN • MARR
Violinist • Pianist
CIVIC CENTRE
THURSDAY — 8:15 P.M.

Fourteen Killed In Seattle Plane Crash

SEATTLE (CP)—A transport plane loaded with University students crashed and exploded seconds after a take-off from Boeing Field last night, killing at least fourteen of thirty persons aboard it. Only seven survived the crash, and one person was still in the hospital today.

Only seven Yale students from Washington and Oregon boarded the DC-3 from the Air Charter, a non-scheduled operator, to take them to New Haven, Connecticut, for the holidays. Many of the prominent North-

Other three aboard the plane were members of the crew. It is estimated the plane was flying 70 to 100 miles per hour when it faltered, struck the ground and burst into flames.

COLLAPSES, DIES WHILE AT CHURCH

Jules Seguin, a city pioneer of almost 40 years' standing, collapsed and died Sunday morning while worshipping at Annunciation Catholic Church where he had been a faithful communicant since coming to Prince Rupert in 1910.

Born 76 years ago just outside Montreal, Mr. Seguin spent many years in the north as a prospector before settling in Prince Rupert. For the last couple of years he had been aware of a heart condition which is believed to have been the cause of his eventual collapse and death, about 10 minutes after he entered the church to attend Mass.

Mr. Seguin came west before the turn of the century and took employment in a shipyard in California. In 1898 he joined the Klondyke gold rush and, thereafter, spent 10 years in the Yukon and Alaska.

As a prospector, he also took part in the Nome gold rush of 1900 and several smaller stampedes, including the one at Shushana.

Coming to Prince Rupert in 1910, he took employment with Oiler Besner at the Knox Hotel. He was the owner of a residence on First Avenue, opposite the Knox Hotel. He had lived in retirement for the last few years and recently attended the annual "Over 70 Club" Christmas dinner where he appeared in good health. He was unmarried.

Mr. Seguin is survived by a nephew in Seattle. Another nephew died in the Washington city a short time ago.

HOCKEY SCORES

National League

Saturday
Montreal 3, Toronto 5.
New York 1, Boston 4.
Detroit 3, Chicago 5.

Sunday

Toronto 2, New York 4.
Chicago 3, Detroit 5.

Pacific Coast League

Saturday
San Diego 2, Fresno 3.
Los Angeles 1, San Francisco 6.

Sunday

Portland 5, Tacoma 2.
Seattle 4, New Westminster 1.
Vancouver 2, Seattle 6.
Fresno 2, San Diego 3.

diocese—the others being Canon C. A. Hinchliffe of Smithers and Canon W. F. Rushbrook of Prince Rupert.

Forty-Inch December Snowfall; Triumph of Sunshine in 1948

Prince Rupert's snowfall during December set a record that has not been approached in recent years. Its total precipitation for the year was the lowest since 1945, according to weather station at Digby.

During December the heaviest snow for that month in a decade, while precipitation for the month was calculated at 40.8 inches, the heaviest snow for the year was 54 miles on hour from the south-east on December 22.

JERUSALEM IS RAIDED

Two Air Attacks On Holy City—Jewish Retaliation On Cairo

JERUSALEM (P)—Jerusalem was bombed by unidentified war planes last night, the attack being, apparently, concentrated on the Jewish quarter. A new threat of Jewish retaliation against Cairo was thereby brought.

There were two raids. At least five persons were injured in the first raid. No details are available on the second raid which was three hours later.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

Warm air was spreading over northern and central British Columbia this morning. The warming was most marked at Prince George where temperatures rose from 23 below last evening to near zero early this morning. Along the northern end of the coast there were similar but less marked rises overnight with early morning temperatures in those regions well above freezing. Over the remainder of the province cold clear weather still persists although gradually rising temperatures are expected there during the next 48 hours.

The storm which brought rain and near gale winds to the northern coast last night appears to be moving northeastward this morning. However, cloudiness and rain are expected to spread to northern Vancouver Island by Tuesday with snow flurries spreading into the northern interior today.

Forecast

Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast with intermittent rain today and Tuesday. Winds southerly (30 m.p.h.). Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs Tuesday: Port Hardy 34 and 40, Massett 35 and 42, Prince Rupert 32 and 40.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Vancouver

Bayonne	.05%
Bralorne	8.50
B.R. Con.	.03
B.R.X.	.08 1/2
Cariboo Quartz	1.35
Congress	.04
Hedley Mascot	.41
Pacific Eastern	.04%
PePnd Oreille	5.50
Pioneer	3.05
Premier Border	.03 1/2
Privateer	.15
Reeves McDonald	3.00
Reno	.06
Sheep Creek	1.47
Silbak Premier	.36
Taku River	.26
Vananda	.45
Valmon Gold	.11 1/2
Spud Valley	.06

Oils—

Anglo Canadian	4.60
A.P. Con.	.23
Atlantic	.91
Calmont	.50
C. & E.	6.10
Central Leduc	1.55
Home Oil	14.00
Mercury	.16
Okalta	1.62
Pacific Pete	2.99
Princess	.39 1/2
Royal Canadian	.12
South Brazeau	.22

Toronto

Athona	.13
Amnauque	.17 1/2
Beattie	.51
Bevcourt	.22
Bobjo	.13 1/2
Buffalo Canadian	.17 1/2
Consol. Smelters	122.25
Conwest	1.35
Donalda	.53
Eldona	.70
East Sullivan	3.15
Giant Yellowknife	4.70
God's Lake	.43
Hardrock	.20
Harricana	.08 1/2
Heva	.09 1/2

Bulletins

NEW YEAR DEATHS

TORONTO—With a list of twenty violent deaths during the New Year holiday week-end, Canadians looked back today on a holiday comparatively safely spent when set against the death toll of 55 killed in the Christmas days of the previous week-end. Canadian Press compilation found that only one highway crash resulted in deaths, that being in Vancouver where Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Howard and her brother, William Coundley, lost their lives when an interurban struck an automobile at Twelfth and Arbutus as a wig-wag signal failed to function. Ontario led the provinces with ten violent deaths. Quebec's toll was five and British Columbia's four.

QUEEN MARY AGROUND

SOUTHAMPTON—Sailing of the steamer Queen Mary for New York, scheduled for today, has been delayed until tomorrow because of damage done when the giant liner ran aground off Cherbourg Saturday. Officials of the Cunard-White Star line said that repairs were of a "minor nature." Eighteen hundred passengers stayed aboard the ship during the twelve hours she was ashore on a mud bar.

PROBE AT OKALLA

VANCOUVER—Prison guards have been suspended and there will be a searching inquiry into the circumstances surrounding a jail break from Okalla Prison on Sunday when eight young men escaped from the prison by sawing their way through bars. Two Burnaby policemen spotted a stolen car last night and found the occupants to be five of the eight escapees. They had been on the loose for twenty-one hours after sawing a bar and dropping twelve feet to the ground. Four 16-year-old and a 22-year-old Indian were nabbed, the officers arresting them at gunpoint and taking them back to prison. Later another of the escapees was re-taken.

VICTORIA BARRISTER DIES

VICTORIA—R. S. Stewart Yates, prominent Victoria barrister and clerk of the Legislature since 1944, died today. He was a member of a well known pioneer Victoria family for which Sates Street was named.

Shanghai City Council Asking Communists to Negotiate Peace

SHANGHAI (CP)—The Shanghai city council today went over the head of the Nationalistic government and asked the Chinese communists for a cease-fire order and the beginning of peace talks. The appeal was sent in a radio message to the Communist capital of Yanan for relay to all Communist leaders. It said:

"On behalf of the six million people of Shanghai, the Communist leaders are asked to order an immediate cease-fire and leave everything to discussions between your representatives and those of the government."

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek appears to be still disposed to carry on the civil war although the Premier of China and some of the leading generals are disposed to negotiate for peace.

Interior of the Provincial Court House is taking on a new look as painters and decorators scrub down its hallways in preparation for a repainting job, the first since 1934. The work is being done by Fred Scadden.

Hosco	.18
Jacknife	.04
Joliet Quebec	.45
Lake Rowan	.06
Lapaska	.10 1/2
Little Long Lac	.78
Lynx	.12 1/2
Madsen Red Lake	2.43
McKenzie Red Lake	.32
McLeod Cockshutt	.97
Moneta	.42 1/2
Negus	2.16
Noranda	54.75
Louvicourt	35 1/2
Pickle Crow	2.01
Regcourt	.05
San Antonio	3.95
Senator Rouyn	.41
Sherritt Gordon	2.14
Steep Rock	1.61
Sturgeon River	.15
Silver Miller	.41



FAMOUS SPEEDER DIES—Sir Malcolm Campbell, first man to drive an automobile at faster than 300 miles per hour, died Saturday at Reigate, Surrey, England at the age of 63. He had been in failing health since an eye operation in June. The cause of his death was not announced.

LOCAL TIDES

Tuesday, January 4, 1949	
High	4:44 18.8 feet
	16:23 18.5 feet
Low	10:36 8.9 feet
	22:52 5.8 feet